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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowability of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowance of June 30, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following comments.

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance on page 4 of the Notice of Allowance, paragraphs 3 and 4 state:

"3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

"4. The prior art fails to teach or render obvious the claimed invention taken as a whole, the invention comprising an MHP terminal device comprising: a broadcast interface configured to receive a broadcast transport stream, wherein broadcast MHP applications to be launched at said MHP terminal device are transmitted within said broadcast transport stream and are received via said broadcast interface, wherein said MHP broadcast applications are configured to be identified, loaded and launched within said MHP terminal device;

a local network interface configured to connect said MHP terminal device to a local network, and for receiving local network transport streams emanating from object carousel generators in other network devices connected to said local network so that local network MHP applications providing user interface resources according to a MHP standard to be launched at said MHP terminal device are transmitted within said local network transport streams and are received via said local network interface; and wherein said object carousel

generators are configured to segment said local network MHP applications into a set of data packets, and to repeatedly transmit said set of data packets.”

Although the above comment appears to address Claim 1, it is respectfully noted that independent Claims 15, 23 and 30 do not include this language. For example, Claim 15 does not claim “a MHP terminal device” but rather a “network device” and it does not include a reference to “receiving local network transport streams emanating from object carousel generators in other network devices”. Claims 23 and 30, being directed to a method of controlling a network device and a network device including a computer readable storage medium, respectively, do not include a reference to structure as may be implied and/or inferred by the examiner’s statement. For example, these claims do not include a reference to “broadcast interface” or “local network interface”. Claim 23 and 30 are patentable by virtue of the limitations recited therein rather than the structure of the apparatus. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the above-quoted statement does not apply to Claims 15, 23 and 30 to the extent the language used in the statement differs from the language of the claims.

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